



**Modeling**

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Shari,

I would like to have a copy of the revised model, reflecting QEA comments, QEA's comments on the model, and all memoranda and letters concerning the modification of the model. None of this information has been disclosed to the public. I would hope that the vendor will report on work plans and schedules at the workshop, and that progress reports will be forthcoming during the model development.

Please note that unless the modeling exercise recognizes that the four dams will be removed, it will be moot. Of course the model must assume certain precursors of dam removal, such as likely hydraulic dredging of the sediment immediately upstream from the dams. This sediment tends to be light and highly mobile compared to sediments at the entrance to the impoundment. We must also recognize that the Plainwell to Allegan City reach empties into two major sediment traps: Allegan City impoundment and Lake Allegan behind the Calkins Dam. Neither of these impoundments are likely to be changed, and both will require significant dredging to remove contaminated sediment.

Best Regards,

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